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**Veloxis Announces Publication of Phase III Study of Once Daily Envarsus® XR Demonstrating Non-Inferiority vs. Twice-Daily Tacrolimus in De Novo Kidney Transplant Patients**

- Study published in American Journal of Transplantation -

Veloxis Pharmaceuticals A/S (OMX: VELO) today announced the publication of the Phase III study (Study 3002) of once-daily Envarsus® XR demonstrating non-inferiority vs. twice-daily tacrolimus (Prograf®) in *de novo* kidney transplant patients in the *American Journal of Transplantation*.

Key points:

- Envarsus® is an extended release formulation of tacrolimus designed for once-daily dosing, flatter pharmacokinetics and greater bioavailability compared to twice-daily tacrolimus or Prograf®.
  - The paper entitled, "Novel Once-Daily Extended-Release Tacrolimus Versus Twice-Daily Tacrolimus in De Novo Kidney Transplants: One-Year Results of Phase III, Double-Blind, Randomized Trial" compared the efficacy and safety of Envarsus to twice-daily tacrolimus (Prograf®).
- The 3002 study was a double-blind, double-dummy study enrolling 543 *de novo* kidney transplant patients. The primary endpoint of the study was a composite endpoint of treatment failure (biopsy-proven acute rejection or BPAR, graft failure, loss to follow up or death) that was evaluated after a 12-month treatment period.
- Envarsus® demonstrated non-inferiority to Prograf® based on the composite endpoint of treatment failure at one year (Envarsus® 18.3%, Prograf® 19.6%)
- Envarsus® showed a similar incidence of adverse events and impact on laboratory results compared to Prograf®
- The mean Envarsus® dose was approximately 15% less than that of the twice-daily tacrolimus dose.
- Envarsus® was approved for marketing in the European Union in July 2014; the U.S. PDUFA data is October 30, 2014.
- Envarsus® XR received Tentative Approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration on 31 October.
- The article can be found at: <http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/ajt.12955/abstract>
- These study results were previously reported by Veloxis on June 27, 2013.

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### **About Envarsus®**

Tacrolimus is a leading immunosuppression drug used for the prevention of transplant allograft rejection after organ transplantation. Envarsus® (tacrolimus prolonged-release tablets) has received marketing authorization in the EU for prophylaxis of organ rejection in kidney and liver transplant recipients. In the US, Envarsus®, known as Envarsus® XR (tacrolimus extended-release tablets), has received Tentative Approval as a once-daily tablet version of tacrolimus for prophylaxis of organ rejection in kidney transplant patients in combination with other immunosuppressants. Envarsus® XR has received orphan drug designation in the U.S. Veloxis plans to commercialize Envarsus® XR in the US through its own sales force and in the EU through its partnership with Chiesi Farmaceutici SpA.

### **About Veloxis Pharmaceuticals**

Based in Hørsholm, Denmark, with an office in New Jersey, Veloxis Pharmaceuticals A/S, or Veloxis, is a specialty pharmaceutical company. Veloxis' unique, patented delivery technology, MeltDose®, is designed to enhance the absorption and bioavailability of select orally administered drugs. Veloxis is listed on the NASDAQ OMX Copenhagen under the trading symbol OMX: VELO.

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